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Because what we are talking about is so involved in community safety, I believe that the Technology Commission must be involved in the coordination of this project and involvement with this project. This is the last project that should be excluded from consideration by the Technology Commission and by what the people who serve on the councils, the various councils, can bring to this discussion, the perspective. And, hopefully, we can find ways, by virtue of having the inclusion of people, a broad-based group of people, ways to maybe make the cost of this substantially less than \$75 million. Because, frankly, I'm not sure where that money's going to come from, and even with coordination and collaboration amongst all the different levels of government, we're still going to be struggling for...to be able to put together a system of this scope. And so the involvement of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission is crucial and I strongly urge you to support the Wehrbein amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Senator Carol Hudkins would like to announce the following guests are visiting the Legislature: Commanding Officer Dave Votonino; Master Chief Petty Officer Dave Weller; officers of the fleet ballistic submarine, U.S.S. Nebraska; and joining them is former Nebraska Secretary of State Allen Beermann. They're located under the south balcony. Please welcome you...please welcome them to the Nebraska Legislature. For further discussion on the Wehrbein amendment, Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. After listening to the comments of Senator Wehrbein and Senator Brown, I rise to support the Wehrbein amendment, and I'm not sure that anyone can answer Senator Tyson's question about what that brings to the table, but I think, rather, when we're talking about this kind of money and we're talking about coordination of technology, that...that that's part of what the role of the NITC should be if it's going to do its job. It should provide at least a sounding board or some oversight for this kind of project, and so I think it's...I think it's a good amendment and I'm glad that we were able to discuss this on the floor and so I hope the body will adopt that amendment. After having said that, Senator Beutler was asking about the cost and threw out a of \$75 million, and I...I nodded my head, and that's a figure